6 Cabinet Members En Route To Japan Speed To Capital

WASHINGTON (AP)—Six members of President Kennedy's Cabinet were out of the country, flying to Japan, when the President was killed Friday.

An hour and a half out of Honolulu, the secretaries were advised of the killing and immediately turned back. They were expected to speed back to Washington.

The party was on the way to a meeting with members of the Japanese Cabinet.

In the party were Secretary of State Dean Rusk, Secretary of Commerce, Luther H. Hodges, Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz, Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall and Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman, with their wives.

Secretary of the Treasury Douglas Dillon was the sixth Cabinet member.

Others aboard were Walter Heller, chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers, and Mrs. Heller, White House Press Secretary Pierre Salinger and Robert Manning, assistant secretary of state for public affairs.

The meeting in Tokyo would have brought together the Cabinet secretaries of the two countries for a meeting on trade and economic affairs. It was scheduled to open Monday and run for three days.